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Dr. Stan Barone is the acting Director of the US EPA Office of Science Coordination and Policy, which oversees FACA (Federal Advisory Committees Act) committees reviewing products from the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSPP) and houses the Endocrine Disruptor Screening program. Dr. Barone's experience in cell biology and development and application of *in vitro* methods to address hazards of chemicals is currently being put to use in developing new assessment approaches for assuring the safety of chemicals. He came to US EPA in 1990 as a Principal Investigator in developmental neurotoxicology in the National Health and Environmental Effect Research Lab in the Office of Research and Development (ORD). From 2006–2012, Dr. Barone was Assistant Center Director for Human Health Risk Assessment at the National Center for Environmental Assessment in ORD and National Program Director for Human Health Risk Assessment Program. Before moving to his current position, Dr. Barone served as the Deputy Director of the Risk Assessment Division of the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics in OCSPP. He has published over 75 peer reviewed papers, technical reports, and book chapters, and has served on peer review panels for numerous government and nongovernmental funding organizations. Dr. Barone has a M.S. in endocrinology (1985) and Ph.D. (1990) in neurobiology from East Carolina University School of Medicine.

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**Jim Jones, US Environmental Protection Agency, USA**

President Obama nominated Dr. Jim Jones to be the Assistant Administrator for US EPA's Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSPP) in January 2012. Dr. Jones was confirmed by the US Senate August 1, 2013. He is responsible for managing the office which implements the nation's pesticide, toxic chemical, and pollution prevention laws. The office has an annual budget of over \$234 million and more than 1,100 employees. Dr. Jones' career with US EPA spans more than 29 years. He has an M.A. from the University of California at Santa Barbara and a B.A. from the University of Maryland, both in economics.

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Dr. Robert J. Kavlock is the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Science in US EPA's Office of Research and Development (ORD). He has over 33 years of scientific experience and was previously the Director of the National Center for Computational Toxicology (NCCT) within ORD, a post he occupied since its founding in 2005. The ToxCast program within the NCCT is on the leading edge of the state of the science in computational toxicology. Dr. Kavlock began his career at US EPA in 1977 conducting research on the effects of pesticides on prenatal development and progressed to spending 15 years as the Director of the Reproductive Toxicology Division in ORD. He has spent much of his career working on improving the basis for understanding non-cancer health effects, with the most recent efforts focused on computational toxicology. Computational toxicology promises to transform the conduct of toxicological studies through the blending of advances in modern molecular biology with computational sciences. Dr. Kavlock has published more than 200 scientific papers, 16 book chapters, edited three books, including co-editor of the Global Assessment of the State-of-the-Science of Endocrine Disruptors, and serves on a number of international scientific advisory committees. He is the co-recipient of the US Human Society North American Alternative Award (2008) and ORD's Statesmen of the Year Award (2007), and is past president of the Teratology Society. Dr. Kavlock also serves as a member of the editorial boards of *Environmental Health Perspectives*, the *Journal of Toxicology and Environmental Health*, and *Birth Defects Research Part B: Developmental and Reproductive Toxicity*. Dr. Kavlock received his B.S. in biology and his Ph.D in embryology from the University of Miami.

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Dr. Kenneth Lee is Senior Director at Singapore's Agency for Science, Technology and Research (A\*STAR). His remit is to build a vibrant research and innovation ecosystem, to catalyze and support the growth of industry in Singapore. Dr. Lee's team formulates and drives strategies to (i) build a broad base of industry-relevant R&D capabilities and infrastructure; (ii) create an end-to-end innovation ecosystem by anchoring long-term R&D partnerships with leading multinational corporations, subject matter experts, and public-sector research organisations; and (iii) ensure a pipeline of scientific and technical talent to support industry. Dr. Lee is a passionate game changer and global executive with senior leadership experience in innovation and strategic planning (personal/beauty care, food and nutrition industries). At L'Oréal headquarters in France, where he was Corporate Director of Strategic Foresight from 2001 to 2013, Dr. Lee led multidisciplinary teams tasked with identifying and accelerating new growth opportunities based on nascent science and technology. Through open innovation partnerships with researchers and startup companies worldwide, the teams helped to bring disruptive innovations to consumers. From 2011 to 2013, he was a member of the industry advisory board of the Synthetic Biology Engineering Research Centre, a US National Science Foundation initiative. He is currently an Independent Board Member and Member of the Investment Committee for New Protein Capital, a seed-stage venture capital fund; and Committee Member of the Genetic Modification Advisory Committee (GMAC) of Singapore since 2014. Dr. Lee received his Ph.D. in cell and molecular biology from the University of Edinburgh.

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Dr. Steve (Yichen) Lin currently serves as Senior Toxicologist for the Safety and Health Technology Center (SAHTECH) in Taiwan. He is currently working on chemical risk assessment, regulatory policy making, and toxicological evaluation of harmful substances. Areas of expertise include general principles and application of toxicology research (including environmental and reproductive toxicology); quality and comparative effectiveness of public health evaluations; risk assessments for environment toxicants and toxicity for newly discovered drugs; preclinical cancer research; and animal models for non-clinical pharmacologic and toxicological studies. He has extensive experience in designing, performing, and analyzing the results of human, non-human, *in vivo*, and *in vitro* experiments. Dr. Lin also has experience in organizing, writing, and presenting research findings for publication and at international conferences, both individually and on research teams. He has a Ph.D. in toxicology/pharmacology, and postdoctoral training in new drug development and public health.

**Lit-Hsin Loo, Agency for Science, Technology and Research, Singapore**

Dr. Lit-Hsin Loo is a Principal Investigator at the Bioinformatics Institute (BII), A\*STAR, Singapore. He is also an adjunct Assistant Professor at the Department of Pharmacology, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore. Dr. Loo is leading an interdisciplinary team of scientists developing *in vitro* and computational models for predicting the toxicity and/or targets of chemical compounds with diverse or unknown structures. His team has developed novel image-based phenotypic profiling methods and tools that led to the first high-throughput and predictive *in vitro* platform for nephrotoxicity prediction. His team is also currently developing predictive models and novel endpoints for pulmonary and hepatic toxicities. Dr. Loo was the recipient of the Award for Excellence in Postdoctoral Research (2010) and the Alfred Gilman Award (2009) by the University of Texas Southwestern (UTSW) Medical Center, and the Doctoral Award in Mathematical Sciences and Engineering (2005) by Drexel University. Dr. Loo was a postdoctoral fellow in the Bauer Center for

Genomics Research at Harvard University (2005), and then in the Department of Pharmacology at the UTSW Medical Center, USA (2005-2010).

**Anna Lowit, US Environmental Protection Agency, USA**

Dr. Anna B. Lowit received her Ph.D. in environmental toxicology from the University of Tennessee in 1998 where she was a Graduate Fellow in sustainable waste management. Dr. Lowit began her career with US EPA in 1998 with the Office of Pesticide Programs, where she remains today. Dr. Lowit is currently the Senior Science Advisor at the US EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs where she advises senior managers and leads multidisciplinary teams on a variety of cross-cutting topics. She is currently one of the Co-Chairs of the Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Validation of Alternative Methods (ICCVAM). ICCVAM is composed of representatives from 15 US Federal regulatory and research agencies that require, use, generate or disseminate toxicological and safety testing information and whose purpose is to promote and facilitate the 3Rs of toxicity testing (reduce, refine, replace) in regulatory toxicity testing. Dr. Lowit has extensive experience in developing cumulative risk assessments for groups of pesticides which share a common mechanism of toxicity (e.g., organophosphates, *N*-methyl carbamates). She also has interest in the integration of science along multiple lines of evidence (epidemiology, *in vivo* and *in vitro* experimental toxicology). She has particular interest in improving the use of quantitative approaches in human health risk assessment such as use of meta-analysis in deriving benchmark dose estimates and linking PBPK models with probabilistic exposure models.

**Kristan Markey, US Environmental Protection Agency, USA**

Mr. Kristan Markey is a chemical data scientist with the US EPA Endocrine Disruptor Screening Program (EDSP) to build network models and database systems to address chemicals that can perturb the estrogen, androgen, and thyroid pathways and currently leads the EDSP systematic literature reviews across thousands of chemicals. He joined US EPA in 2008 as a chemist and program manager of industrial chemicals under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) in the New Chemicals Program. Under TSCA, he managed problematic chemical risk assessments and regulations including nanomaterials, polyfluorinated substances, and chlorinated paraffins. He has been closely involved with a variety of US and international science and policy initiatives on nanotechnology and sustainability, including co-chairing the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development's (OECD) project on the Environmentally Sustainable Use of Manufactured Nanomaterials and serving as the NanoSafety Team Leader at the OECD Working Party on Manufactured Nanomaterials. He previously worked as a research analyst with the Environmental Working Group's (EWG) Toxics Program evaluating a wide range of US chemical policies, led the substance nomenclature and hazard evaluations in the flagship cosmetic safety database on over 8,000 different ingredients across 40,000 cosmetics products, and developed the sunscreen protection and breakdown models. He has also developed science policy analyses and novel IT/data mining tools around diverse issues including nuclear waste and weapons; persistent, bioaccumulative, and toxic (PBT) substances; the Toxics Release Inventory; drinking water; High Production Volume chemicals; and chemical sustainability.

**Lidka Maślankiewicz, National Institute for Public Health and the Environment, The Netherlands**

Ms. Lidka Maślankiewicz is a Toxicologist, Risk Assessor of industrial chemicals, and Scientific Researcher working at the Dutch National Institute for Public Health and the Environment (RIVM). In 1995, she joined the Risk assessment of New Chemical Substances department and participated in the OECD High Production Volume Chemicals project (SIAM), where she built her experience with QSARs, read-across, and chemical categories. Later she became the OECD HPV Manager. Currently she is managing the OECD IATA Chemical Categories Case Studies Project (implementation of the classical read-across and new methodologies in hazard assessment). She is also involved in the OECD IATA Case Studies Project

AOP/Skin sensitization. In addition, she is an expert working for the OECD Task Force Hazard Assessment. Since 2008, she has been responsible for a variety of tasks under the EU REACH regulation (substance evaluations, prioritization and screening). She has successfully organized several toxicology, ecotoxicology, risk assessment, and QSAR trainings in Belgium, Slovakia, Poland, and Bulgaria. She has experience using several *in silico* (Q)SAR models (DEREK, EpiSuite, Meteor), and has started to gain more experience using AOP and IATA. In 2015 she organized an RIVM/IATA Workshop, which gave her co-workers better understanding of IATA and AOP for skin sensitization (based on the OECD Case Studies). She has been a (co)-author on mostly confidential reports on hazard and risk assessment of industrial chemicals. Ms. Maślankiewicz graduated from the Medical Academy in Warszawa, Poland, Pharmacy Department, and completed her Masters of Science in Toxicology and Ecotoxicology.

**Jeff Morris, US Environmental Protection Agency, USA**

Dr. Jeff Morris is Deputy Director of the US EPA's Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, which regulates chemicals under the Toxic Substances Control Act. He has held a number of positions at US EPA, including acting director of the Office of Science Policy and National Program Director for Nanotechnology Research.

**Christine Norman, Health Canada, Canada**

Ms. Christine Norman holds a M.Sc. from McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario. Ms. Norman has previously held leadership roles within Health Canada regulatory programs, including as Associate Director of the Consumer Product Safety program and in various positions within Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA). While at PMRA, Ms. Norman was responsible for human health risk assessments for pesticides being considered for registration in Canada and, in that capacity, she led federal initiatives related to children and environmental exposures. As part of the North American Free Trade Agreement's Technical Working Group on Pesticides, she led many of the US EPA and Health Canada joint reviews of pesticides. Since 2009, Ms. Norman has been the Director of the Existing Substances Risk Assessment Bureau. She also represents the Government of Canada on Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Existing Chemicals Programme initiatives, is the Branch representative on the WHO Risk Assessment Network and leads risk assessment initiatives under the US/Canada Regulatory Cooperation Council. Ms. Norman is Director Champion for the Safe Environment Directorate's network for scientific staff (SciNet) and for the Directorate's support of the Government of Canada Workplace Charitable Campaign.

**Kerry Nugent, National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme, Australia**

Dr. Kerry Nugent is a long term NICNAS employee with 18 years of experience. His original training was in inorganic chemistry and materials science, although he now focuses on toxicology and regulatory science. He has been involved in a range of innovative program developments within NICNAS, most recently being one of the main architects of the IMAP program, for which he has scientific oversight.

**Jennifer Orme-Zavaleta, US Environmental Protection Agency, USA**

Dr. Jennifer Orme-Zavaleta is Director of the National Exposure Research Laboratory in US EPA's Office of Research and Development. Dr. Orme-Zavaleta has been with US EPA for more than 30 years, working in the areas of human health and ecological research, risk assessment, policy and regulation development, strategic planning, and program implementation. The focus of her experience includes the evaluation of risks to human and ecosystem health, and the influence of environmental change on human health in response to a variety of stressors including synthetic organic and inorganic chemicals, radionuclides, microorganisms, and vector-borne disease. As Director of US EPA's National Exposure Research Laboratory, she is responsible for leading the development and application of exposure

science to support the Agency's research programs in Chemical Safety for Sustainability, Safe and Sustainable Water Resources, Sustainable and Health Communities, and Air Climate and Energy that support Agency decision-making. She received a B.A. from Ohio Wesleyan University and a M.S. from Miami University in zoology, and a Ph.D. in wildlife science and public health from Oregon State University.

**Mike Rasenberg, European Chemicals Agency, European Union**

Mr. Mike Rasenberg has over 16 years of professional experience working in the field of chemical regulatory affairs with both governmental bodies and enterprises. Mr. Rasenberg is Head of Unit for Computational Assessment and Dissemination at the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) since January 2011. Before this, Mr. Rasenberg worked in the area international chemicals management, with the European Commission, Chemical Industry, industry associations and as a consultant.

**Mary Ross, US Environmental Protection Agency, USA**

Dr. Mary Ross is the Deputy Director for Management for the US EPA's National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA). She has worked in NCEA since 2006, serving initially as Branch Chief for the group in NCEA that prepares Integrated Science Assessments (ISA) that serve as the scientific foundation for decisions on the national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS). Previously, Dr. Ross was in US EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, where she served as the Team Leader for the review of the NAAQS for particulate matter. Dr. Ross has a Ph.D. in public health from the University of Illinois at Chicago, and holds Bachelor's and Master's degrees in biology from the University of Notre Dame and the College of William and Mary, respectively.

**Keith Sappington, US Environmental Protection Agency, USA**

Mr. Keith Sappington has 30 years of experience conducting applied environmental research to support human and ecological risk assessments and water quality criteria development. At the US EPA, Mr. Sappington serves as a Senior Science Advisor in the Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) where he conducts ecological risk of assessments of pesticides. His areas of expertise include aquatic toxicology, bioaccumulation modeling, contaminated sediment testing and assessment, and assessing risks of pesticides to insect pollinators. Mr. Sappington also served for ten years in USEPA's Office of Research and Development and the Office of Water where he managed ecotoxicological research related to methyl mercury and contaminated sediments, developed guidance for assessing metals bioaccumulation by aquatic organisms, and revised aquatic life and human health water quality criteria guidelines. Prior to his employment by the US EPA, Mr. Sappington served as a Senior Analyst at Abt Associates, Inc., where he conducted risk assessments and related analyses to support various US EPA regulatory programs. At the State of Maryland Department of Environment, Mr. Sappington supported whole effluent toxicity testing program for municipal waste water treatment plants and developed water quality criteria. In addition to his regulatory and consulting experience, Mr. Sappington conducted four years of applied laboratory and field ecotoxicological research at Virginia Tech and the University of North Texas. Mr. Sappington holds a M.S. degree in zoology and a B.S. degree in biology from Virginia Tech. He has authored numerous book chapters, peer reviewed articles, and government reports related to ecological risk assessment. Mr. Sappington has presented his work at various national and international workshops and scientific peer review meetings.

**Jung Kuan Seo, Ministry of Environment, Republic of Korea**

Mr. Jung Kuan Seo is a Senior Researcher at the National Institute of Environmental Research in Korea's Ministry of Environment. He is currently working on developing guidance for risk assessments of chemicals and products; Korean child-specific exposure factors; and aggregated risk assessments of

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**Tomasz Sobański, European Chemicals Agency, European Union**

Dr. Tomasz Sobański works at the European Chemicals Agency in the Computational Assessment Unit. His major expertise is in the field of in-vitro test methods development, computational assessment of chemicals and data intelligence. Since 2012 he is a member of OECD QSAR Toolbox Steering group. Dr. Sobański is co-author of a number of scientific publications, he was giving key-note speeches on various international scientific events and he owns 3 international patents. Dr. Sobański graduated in technical physics and biomedical engineering at Wroclaw University of Technology in 1999. He was awarded a Ph.D. in technical sciences, discipline electronics. He received a post doc position at EC Joint Research Centre, Institute for Health and Consumer Protection (Ispra, IT). After that he was appointed as Scientific Officer in newly formed Systems Toxicity Unit at the same institute.

**Gina Solomon, California Environmental Protection Agency, USA**

Dr. Gina Solomon is the Deputy Secretary for Science and Health at the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) and a Clinical Professor of Medicine at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF). Prior to coming to CalEPA in 2012, she was a senior scientist at the Natural Resources Defense Council, the director of the occupational and environmental medicine residency program at UCSF, and the co-director of the UCSF Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit. Dr. Solomon's work has spanned a wide array of areas, including children's environmental health, reproductive toxicity, cumulative impacts, and evaluating the use of novel data streams to screen chemicals for toxicity. She has also done work in exposure science for air pollutants, pesticides, mold, and metals in soil and on the health effects of climate change. She was involved in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, the Gulf oil spill, and the Chevron Richmond explosion and fire, and is currently working to improve refinery process safety in California. Dr. Solomon serves on both the US EPA's Science Advisory Board and Board of Scientific Counselors, where she co-chairs the Subcommittee on Chemical Safety for Sustainability and Human Health Risk Assessment. She also serves on the NRC's Board on Environmental Studies in Toxicology and previously served on the Committees on Toxicity Testing in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century and Exposure Science in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, as well as on the National Toxicology Program's Board of Scientific Counselors. Dr. Solomon received her bachelor's degree from Brown University, her M.D. from Yale, and did her M.P.H. and her residency and fellowship training in internal medicine and occupational and environmental medicine at Harvard.

**Jose V. Tarazona, European Food Safety Authority, European Union**

Dr. Jose V. Tarazona is the Head of the Pesticides Unit at the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA). He is a doctor of veterinary medicine, with a Ph.D. in toxicology. From 1982 to 2009 Dr. Tarazona worked at the Spanish National Institute for Agriculture and Food Research and Technology (INIA), serving as Head of the Division of Environmental Toxicology and Director of the Department of the Environment. He has been involved in the scientific advisory board of the European Union since 1992; he was a member of the CSTE, vice-chair of the Scientific Committee on Toxicity, Ecotoxicity and the Environment (CSTEE), and vice-chair of the Scientific Committee on Health and Environmental Risks (SCHER). He has been a member of the UNEP POPs Review Committee and external expert-consultant for different European bodies, OECD, WHO and UN, chairing OECD and UN Expert Groups within the GHS strategy. Before moving to EFSA, from 2009 to 2013 he was Chair of the Committee for Risk Assessment and Scientific Chair of the Evaluation Directorate at the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA).

**Russell Thomas, US Environmental Protection Agency, USA**

Dr. Russell Thomas is the director of the National Center for Computational Toxicology at the US EPA. He has been at US EPA since 2013. The Center is researching new, more efficient ways to evaluate the safety of chemicals, particularly in assessing chemicals for human health effects. Prior to coming to the US EPA, Dr. Thomas was the director of the Institute for Chemical Safety Sciences at The Hamner Institutes for Health Sciences and worked in the biotech and biopharmaceutical industry. Dr. Thomas received a B.A. in chemistry from Tabor College, an M.S. in radiation ecology and health physics from Colorado State University, and a Ph.D. in toxicology also at Colorado State. Following his doctoral studies, Dr. Thomas performed postdoctoral research in molecular biology and genomics at the McArdle Cancer Research Laboratory at the University of Wisconsin.

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Dr. John J. Vandenberg is National Program Director of the Human Health Risk Assessment program, and Director of the Research Triangle Park Division of the National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA), at the US EPA. He has over 30 years of experience in environmental health risk assessment and is responsible for leadership, planning and oversight of US EPA's Integrated Science Assessments for the major (criteria) air pollutants and Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) assessments for high priority hazardous air pollutants, and for development of new risk assessment methodologies. In 2006, he was elected a Fellow of the Society for Risk Analysis and in 2013 he was recipient of the ORD Statesmanship Award. He is an adjunct professor at the Nicholas School of the Environment at Duke University and received his B.A. from the College of Wooster, Ohio, and a M.S. and Ph.D. from Duke University in biophysical ecology.

**Maurice Whelan, Joint Research Centre, European Union**

Dr. Maurice Whelan is head of the Chemical Safety and Alternative Methods Unit of the Directorate for Health, Consumers and Reference Materials of the European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC), based in Ispra, Italy. He also heads the European Union Reference Laboratory for Alternatives to Animal Testing (EURL ECVAM) of the JRC, established under EU Directive 2010/63 on the protection of animals used for scientific purposes to build on the 20 years of activities of ECVAM, the European Centre for the Validation of Alternative Methods. Priorities of his work include the development, validation and promotion of alternative approaches to animal testing both for regulatory safety assessment of chemicals (inc. nanomaterials) and for applications in biomedical research. Whelan is the EU co-chair of the OECD Advisory Group on Molecular Screening and Toxicogenomics that is responsible for the OECD programme on Adverse Outcome Pathways, and he is a member of the Steering Committee of the European Partnership for Alternative Approaches to Animal Testing (EPAA). He received his Ph.D. in 1993 in mechanical engineering (design of orthopaedic knee prostheses) by the University of Limerick (Ireland) and holds an external appointment of visiting Professor of Bioengineering at the University of Liverpool (UK).